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1. Lt. Colonel Alfredo Stroessner, Commander of the 1st Artillery Regiment at Paraguari, Paraguay, has demanded the removal of Minister of Interior Liberato Rodriguez. The Democratic Colorados are reported to be very amxious to dissolve the 14th Regiment. Any such attempt by the Democratic Colorados could bring a showdown resulting in armed conflict.

- The Paraguayan police on 12 March 1949 seized all copies of Tacuara, a new publication of the young Democratic Colorados. The Guiones, led by Liberato Rodriguez, and the Natalicistas and Moriniguistas are reported to be determined to make an attempt to oust the Democratic Colorados by 15 March 1949.
- 3. Many rumors are said to be circulating in Asuncion that Bolivian armed forces are at the Chaco frontier and may have crossed the Paraguayan border. It is reported, however, that such rumors might be a maneuver on the part of any of the Paraguayan political factions.

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